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SUBJECT: PROPOSED TRANSFER OF RESEARCH REACTOR AND FUEL FROM  
U.S. TO MEXICO

REF: (A) STATE 207830 (NOTAL), (B) IAEA VIENNA 6508,  
(C) IAEA VIENNA 6011

1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED AGENCY LETTER FORMALLY REQUESTING, ON BEHALF OF MEXICO, THAT RESEARCH REACTOR PROJECT MENTIONED REFTELS BE INCLUDED FOR CONSIDERATION OF U.S. GIFT OFFER OF \$50,000 WORTH OF SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL TO IAEA IN 1976, TO COVER ABOUT 3,330 GRAMS OF 20 PERCENT ENRICHED URANIUM CONTAINED IN FUEL ELEMENTS FOR RESEARCH REACTOR TO BE PROVIDED BY OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY AS GIFT TO MEXICAN NATIONAL POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE. MISSION UNDERSTANDS THIS MATERIAL IS VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$12,000. AGENCY LETTER POUCHED AMMONS/ERDA AND ADLER/OES.

2. SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SEVERAL OF OUR PROPOSED  
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REVISIONS TO DRAFT AGREEMENT CONTAINED IN REF B

WERE MADE ON ASSUMPTION THAT TITLE TO RESEARCH REACTOR AND FUEL RESTED IN OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY. SINCE WE HAVE LEARNED THAT TITLE TO SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL CONTAINED IN FUEL STILL RESTS WITH ERDA, ALL REFERENCES TO ERDA AND "ADMINISTRATION" SHOULD BE REINSTATED IN DRAFT AGREEMENT, INCLUDING IN SIGNATURE LINE. CONSEQUENT CHANGE WITH RESPECT TO FUEL ELEMENTS IN SECOND PREAMBULAR PARA WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE PLUS ADDITION OF PARA IN TEXT RELATING TO U.S. GIFT OF SNM INVOLVED.

3. AS NOTED REF C, AGENCY EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THIS TRANSACTION COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH SIMPLIFIED SINGLE AGREEMENT SUCH AS INFCIRC/162 RATHER THAN SEPARATE PROJECT AND SUPPLY AGREEMENTS SUCH AS INFCIRC/206. MISSION BELIEVES SINGLE AGREEMENT WOULD BE PREFERABLE, IF ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT/ERDA. MOREOVER, INFCIRC/206 CONTAINS SEVERAL PROVISIONS WHICH ARE NOT RPT NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS CASE, SUCH AS SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5. SHOULD BE NOTED THAT AGREEMENT WOULD BE SIGNED BY ERDA ON BEHALF OF USG, IN SAME MANNER AS SUPPLY AGREEMENT SET FORTH IN INFCIRC/206.

4. IF U.S. INTENDS TO INSIST ON SEPARATE PROJECT AND SUPPLY AGREEMENTS, WE SHOULD INFORM AGENCY IMMEDIATELY, SINCE THIS COULD HAVE A BEARING ON HOW BG DOCUMENT IS DRAFTED.

5. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.STONE

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